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The anti-Mead press rises as one newspaper against the custom, or the re-establishment of the custom, of promoting our lieutenant governors to the executive chair.

Readers of the press of the state note that "Dr. Mead is losing Ground," also that "Fleetwood is losing Ground." They are great losers. The fact that the territory is not slipping away from Mr. Hapgood or Mr. Batchelder might be taken to mean that they are not really serious factors in the race.

Mr. Hapgood to Ferguson.

Marshall J. Hapgood of Peru, candidate for governor, lets C. J. Ferguson, superintendent of the Vermont Anti-Saloon league, know just how he stands in regard to the proposed referendum for the resubmission of the liquor law question. Mr. Hapgood says, in response to an inquiry from Superintendent Ferguson, that any effective measure for the suppression of the liquor traffic would meet his hearty approval, "but," he adds, "we must treat this matter in a common sense light, making the best of our opportunities." Mr. Hapgood believes that the present local option law, properly amended so as to prevent small towns from adopting license for the purpose of debauching large towns adjoining, is working well as a rule. Candidate Hapgood concludes:

"It is needless for us to add that your warning that it will be dangerous for any candidate to oppose your proposed measure has no effect upon me, and I regret, for the sake of the cause, that you have made it."

Mr. Hapgood's defiant paragraph ought to daze Ferguson for a moment, and it is entitled to a few hundred rounds of applause.

Salisbury's Fire Loss \$65,000

Lack of adequate fire fighting apparatus caused property loss of about \$65,000 in Salisbury, a village six miles from Middlebury, early Wednesday morning from a fire which swept the business section of the place.

Frank C. Dyer's general merchandise store, including the postoffice, the Rutland depot and freight station, the Page feed store, and grist mill, a new two-story house owned by Mr. Page, and two freight cars filled with paper were destroyed.

Changes in Universalist Pastorates

The Rev. George F. Fortier of Northfield, State Superintendent of Universalist churches, reports the following preachers engaged for the summer months. At Calais and East Calais, the Rev. A. M. Walker will have charge; at Barnard, H. G. Mann of Tufts college will be pastor; and at Hartland Four Corners, L. C. McLaughlin of St. Lawrence University will preach.

SOUTH POMFRET.

Mrs. Samuel Paul received a shower of postal cards Tuesday, her 86th birthday, and several valuable presents.

Mrs. Augusta Chedel is quite ill. Dexter Hawkins of Woodsville, N. H., and Henry of Norwich, brothers, have been with her.

Mrs. Emma Adams is having a broad veranda built on the north side of her residence, her brother, Eugene Wight, doing the carpenter work.

Mrs. Fred Haackert, who is with her sister, Mrs. Leo Reed, is somewhat benefited in health during her stay here.

Elba Jilson and son Hal closed their house here for the summer and taken up their residence on "Buckman hill."

F. A. Tarble was ranked among the fishermen of luck the opening of the brook trout season, two and one-half pounds being the reported catch.

Although crippled by a broken hip and obliged to use a crutch and cane, Thomas Barber of Randolph, aged 92, takes care of his own property and frequently walks a mile to the home of his son. Last year he cut two cords of wood and a considerable amount of hay.

HARTLAND.

In regard to the prize offered by Hartland Nature club for the best collection of "Woody Vines and Shrubs": Shortly afterward the judges of the school exhibits decided that the prize should go to the Jenneville school. In some ways this was an unfortunate decision and the Nature club regrets the incident. Protest was made almost immediately by other teachers, that the judges had overlooked a fundamental point in the offer of the prize, which was to go to the school which prepares the best collection of budded twigs and bark taken from the shrubs and wooded vines native to Hartland.

Examination by rivals had shown that the Jenneville school exhibit, a most tasteful one, and worthy in every way, was largely composed of specimens of trees. This matter was called to the attention of the judges, and after expressing regret at their misunderstanding or misinformation on the matter, a careful examination has been made. It shows that the exhibits ranked as follows:

Jenneville school, 47 specimens, 12 being correct; Weed school, 37 specimens, 36 being correct; Bates school, 40 specimens, 34 being correct, others correct but not in book; Hartland primary, 42 specimens, all correct but one which was correctly named but not in book serving as guide; Hartland grammar, 68 specimens, 47 correct. Of the remainder the larger portion were correct, but not in book used as a guide. The judges therefore decided that the prize really belonged to the Hartland Grammar school and the club gives a consolation prize to the Jenneville school. They also give special recognition to the artistic arrangement of the Weed school exhibit.

Mrs. Elizabeth Teague Dunbar, wife of Henry D. Dunbar, the well known inventor, passed away May 5th, after a long and extremely painful illness, aged 68 years. Mrs. Dunbar was born in England in 1842 and came to Tennessee with her parents when very young. When she was 18, in 1860, she married Henry D. Dunbar. The young couple came north at the beginning of the Civil war, and lived where Charles Darling now lives. In 1867 they moved to their newly purchased home, the Daniels place, near North Hartland. Mrs. Dunbar was noted for her personal beauty and delightful manner as hostess. She leaves a husband and son, Harvey Teague Dunbar; one daughter, Mrs. Collins, granddaughter, Vivian Collins. Funeral services were held at her late home May 7, Rev. Mr. Colt of Windsor officiating. Interment in the village cemetery. Friends sent beautiful calla and Easter lilies, carnations and roses.

Relatives from out of town to attend the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Bell, and Miss Daisy Dunbar of Lebanon, N. H., and Mrs. Katie Teague Bittenger of Plymouth, Mass.

The Memorial day exercises will be held in the M. E. church at 10.30 a. m. Rev. H. A. Miles will deliver the address followed by recitations. Miss Florence H. Sturtevant will have charge of the music. After the exercises the veterans will march to the village cemetery and decorate the graves of the Civil war heroes, then return to the M. E. vestry, where a free dinner will be served at 12.30.

NORWICH.

The funeral of Mrs. Henry S. Goddard was held at the Congregational church last Sunday, May 15. The body of Mrs. Ira Burton was brought here for interment last Wednesday p. m., from Hanover.

The marriage of L. W. Chamberlain of this place and May E. Thompson of Brooklyn, N. Y., took place at Union Village, May 13.

For Clean Elections

Our statutes make it a highly punishable offense for any candidate for office to use any money or other valuable thing, directly or indirectly, except for personal expenses, towards securing his nomination at any caucus or convention. This strikes, directly, at all "heelers," secret agents, and delegates accepting carfare, dinners, liquors, etc., in consideration of their vote. And for proof against those hiring them, they can be called before a court or legislative committee of investigation and be compelled to testify under oath. As nothing so strikes at the fundamental interests of the people. A fund is now being raised to see that this law is enforced.

Marshall J. Hapgood.

BRIDGEWATER.

Mrs. E. A. Davis and Mrs. A. W. Southgate were in Windsor to spend Sunday with Mrs. Lewis Spaulding. H. S. Southgate and family, with Mrs. Edward Capron returned to White River Junction on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Capron have been in White River Junction this week on business.

Miss Carolyn Fisher of Hartford, Conn., came this week to visit her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Furber, for an indefinite period.

F. M. Southgate is painting his house; Zeb Carlisle is doing the work.

Barton Furman is building a new barn, having torn his old one down.

The town is building a new and larger house in front of Chandos Josselyn's.

L. A. Derby of Lowell, Mass., was in town this week on business, and stopped at H. G. Ayer's.

News was received here Tuesday of the sudden death of Horace Pinney of Plymouth, resulting from a shock. The sympathy of many friends goes out to his son, A. H. Pinney of this place.

E. W. Davis, who went from this place to play ball with the New England League in Lynn, Mass., has been released and is now visiting relatives in Medford, Mass.

Miss Nellie Carter has returned to her work in the woolen mill after an extended vacation.

PLYMOUTH UNION

Mrs. Ryland Taylor is with her son, Harold Tarbel, in Sherburne, on account of illness.

L. B. Moore and A. J. Brown of Ludlow were in town the first of the week.

Charles Sawyer and Al Woodard were at home over Sunday.

Trout fishing began with a rush Sunday. Have not learned of anyone being very successful so far as the water is too cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Johnson were in Ludlow last week Saturday.

Maynard Brown had the misfortune to lose his good old horse on Monday, after a week's illness.

Mrs. Emma Bidgood is visiting her sister, Mrs. Carlos Johnson.

Where is the comet?

EAST BARNARD.

C. A. Dyke returned here Monday. Laura Hathorn of Barnard is working at W. H. Hawes'.

Mrs. Abbie Hazen visited Mrs. Frank Billings the first of the week.

Henry Farmer has moved into the house his son recently purchased.

Mrs. Philander Chase of Randolph is visiting at George Thompson's.

Archie Campbell has sold Grand View farm to parties from New Jersey.

Jehiel Webb of Sherburne is visiting his niece, Mrs. Myrtle Curtis.

Mrs. Mary Smith has returned to Mr. Davis' after spending a few days in Sharon.

Wayne Burnham and wife are living on the farm he recently purchased of Fred Allen.

HARTFORD

The World's Sunday school day will be observed by the Hartford Congregational Sunday school tomorrow.

David Hazen is recovering from his recent severe accident.

The pupils of Miss Mary Barden will give a piano recital for the benefit of the King's Daughters in Foresters' hall, White River Junction, May 24.

WEST WOODSTOCK

Mrs. Adrian Mulloy has returned to Waterbury, Conn.

Sixteen members of the local grange attended the Riverside Pomona at Quechee Saturday.

The "Arabian Nights."

The collection of tales called "The Thousand and One Nights," or the "Arabian Nights," is of unknown date and authorship. It was first made known in Europe about the end of the seventeenth century by Antoine Galland, who was employed by Colbert to collect manuscripts in the east. The copy of the Arabic manuscript brought by Galland from Syria contained a marginal note dated 1844, and from internal evidence the middle of the fifteenth century has been fixed upon as the probable period of the composition of the work. Some of the tales were evidently borrowed by the writer from other authors, and Von Hammer identifies at least the plot and some of the stories of the "Arabian Nights" with an earlier collection in Persian called the "Thousand Fanciful Stories."

A horse belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Earl St. John of Hubbardton, became frightened while in Brandon and after kicking itself free from the wagon it ran down Union street, and into the kitchen at the Douglas hotel, where it was captured. Mr. and Mrs. St. John were uninjured.

PHYSICAL EXERCISE.

Do You Take Enough to Keep Your Arteries in Condition?

Dr. Woods Hutchinson, in criticizing the different fads of exercise in Outlook, says:

"The worst error of exercise, the most dangerous fad of physical culture, is not to take enough of it and to smear at every form of it that does not bear the dollar mark. By one of those cynical poetic justices of nature the very men who denounce all physical culture and recreation as fads are those who pay the heaviest personal penalty for their delusion. They use the vigor they have gained in early youth in nature's open air school to chain themselves to the desk, to bury themselves in dungeon-like offices or airless workrooms twelve or fourteen hours a day. They 'feel fine' and are sure they are going to live to be a hundred, but one day, to their astonishment, a little artery whose coat has been hardened for twenty years unnoticed becomes so brittle that it snaps suddenly, and down they go with a stroke of paralysis, like a winged duck. It is never safe to jeer at the gods, whether the imaginary ones of Olympus or the real ones of modern science."

"The men who jeer loudest at physical culture and who sarcastically advise college and high school students, ambitious for gymnasia or athletic fields, to 'go and get a buckskin and a cord of wood' or a hoe and a potato patch and develop their muscles 'like I did when I was a boy' are the very ones who die suddenly when they should be in their prime for lack of exercise and open air recreation. It is really an astonishing thing how many giants of industry and transportation, particularly executive railroad men, die suddenly or go to pieces between fifty and sixty years of age. It is a common saying in railroad circles that a big general superintendent or department chief will seldom live beyond forty-eight to fifty-five years of age. Many break down before that."

JAPANESE STREETS.

They Swarm With Sideshow and Playing Children.

A Japanese street is a delightful place to play in, for grownup people in Japan do not seem to mind if the tall of a kite flaps right into their smiling faces and only laugh when they are turned out of their way by some huge peep-toe which bumps like an angry bee around their feet. Wee, dark-eyed maidens in butterfly kimono of brilliant coloring turn their skipping ropes gayly, the tiny black heads of the babies they carry strapped to their backs bobbing up and down like small round balls. Their brothers play at "flags," which is a favorite game of theirs. They divide themselves into two parties, one carrying white flags and the other red ones. At a given signal the "reds" attack the "whites," striving to wrest away their flags, and the side which carries off most of these is proclaimed victor. Wonderful conjurers are to be found at the street corners. They make swarms of birds fly from crystal bowls and flowers spring as if by magic from slender stems of bamboo. Others show marvelous beetles harnessed with wax to paper carts or command the snakes that accompany them everywhere to perform extraordinary tricks.

A little farther on you will find an old woman who is making a curious sweetmeat of beans, called "torfu," over an oval brazier, and you can buy a big slab of this wrapped up in a cool paper for a very small sum or, if you prefer it, a piping hot griddlecake costing no more. Acrobats, too, are as common as conjurers, and surely in no other land than this quaint little Japan do they twist themselves into such strange shapes.—Home Chat.

Chamois Tobogganers.

"Chamois toboggan down the steep white slides of the Alps with the skill of Norwegian skiers," said a millionaire. "I know," he went on, "for I have seen them do it. I spent a winter trip I saw a chamois lie on his back and go skimming like the wind down a white precipice—a pretty sight. The creature's nose would be folded on his breast. His head upturned and frowning, would keep watch. Thus he'd skid down a half mile slope, growing smaller and smaller and finally disappearing in a whirl of snow."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

A Real Disappointment.

"Yes, sir," Uncle Eben said to his nephew, "there are all kinds of disappointments in this world, Charley, and some of 'em are worse'n others. But they're all jest ways of feelin' bad for a minute, I guess. 'Bout the disappointments I've had, I ever have is when I feel and feel like meenin' it and it won't come! That kinder gives you a notion of how all disappointments feel till you get over 'em."—Youth's Companion.

At It Again.

Growls—This meat is scorched again. It's a pity you can't get a meal without burning something! G. Growls—It's a pity you can't sit down to the table without roasting somebody!—Chicago News.

What Things Others Him.

"There's two things about this blamed grapefruit that I can't understand," said Uncle Jerry Peabody. "One is that it's called 'grape' fruit and the other is that it's called grape 'fruit.'"—Chicago Tribune.

Manners were defined by Sydney Smith as the shadows of virtue.

As the result of different views regarding Salvation Army tactics, Lieut. Edward Jenkins of St. John'sbury corps laid violent hands on Comrade Boombower. Jenkins was arrested, admitted that he had chastised one whom he considered to be an errant brother, and paid a fine and costs of \$10.04 for breach of the peace.

July 19. Annual state encampment of United Spanish War Veterans at Rutland.

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COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE.

Estate of Andrew Cummings.

The undersigned, having been appointed by the Honorable Probate Court for the District of Hartford, Commissioners, to receive, examine, and adjust the claims and demands of all persons against the estate of Andrew Cummings, late of Bridgewater, in said District, deceased, and all claims exhibited in offset thereto, hereby give notice that we will meet for the purpose aforesaid, at the residence of E. H. Shattuck, in the town of Bridgewater, in said District, on the 21st day of May next, and 14th day of October next, on each of said days and that six months from the 14th day of April A. D. 1910, is the time limited by said Court for said creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance.

Dated at Bridgewater this 25th day of April A. D. 1910.

E. H. SHATTUCK, {Commissioners.
E. C. PUTNAM, }

Estate of Leonard D. Spaulding.

STATE OF VERMONT, } At a Probate Court held at Woodstock, in said District, on the 26th day of April, A. D. 1910.

Present, Hon. Thomas O. Seaver, Judge

In the matter of the estate of Leonard D. Spaulding, late of Cornish, N. H., leaving estate in said district, deceased, intestate.

Whereas, Lewis H. Spaulding, administrator of said estate, has presented to said Court his petition in writing, praying for license to sell all real estate of which said intestate died seized and possessed, situated in this State, representing that such sale will be beneficial to the heirs of said intestate and to all concerned.

Thereupon, the Court appoints the 30th day of May A. D. 1910, as a time, and the Probate Office in said Woodstock as a place, for hearing and deciding on said petition; and orders that notice of said petition, the reason for the same, and of said time and place of hearing, be given to all persons interested in said estate, by publishing a copy of the record of this order three weeks successively in the Spirit of the Age, a newspaper published at Woodstock, in this State, which circulates in the neighborhood of those interested in said estate, the last of said publications to be previous to said time of hearing; and orders that all persons concerned in the premises may appear before said Court and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

A true record, Attest
T. O. SEEVER, Judge.

A true copy of record, Attest
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James A. Pollard, formerly superintendent of the state prison at Windsor, now of Chester, although past his 90th year, is busy making his garden in which he takes just pride.

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Congregational—Rev. Benjamin Swift, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 11.50. Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor at 7.30. Thursday evening prayer meeting at 7.30.

Methodist Episcopal—Rev. F. T. Clark, pastor. Services Sunday: Preaching, 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school, 11.45 a. m.; Thursday prayer meeting, 7.30 p. m.; Sunday evening meeting, 7.30.

Catholic—Rev. E. C. Drouhin, pastor. Mass at 11 a. m.; evening service at 7.30.

Services will be held the fourth Sunday of each month at Village hall, Quechee, at 9 o'clock, and at Barnard, at the town hall, on the second Sunday of each month at 9 o'clock.

St. James Church—Rev. R. LeBlanc Lynch, officiating temporarily. Holy Communion every Sunday 8 a. m. Morning Prayer and Sermon 10.30 a. m. Holy Communion on first Sunday in the month after Morning Prayer. Sunday School at noon. Evening Prayer and sermon 5 p. m. All are welcome.

Christian—Rev. W. A. Leonard, pastor. Services Sunday: Preaching at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school at 12; Y. P. S. C. E. at 7.30 p. m.; mid-week prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7.30 p. m.

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Petition for Foreclosure.

STATE OF VERMONT, } Whereas, Windsor County, ss. Hattie B. Richardson, executrix of the last will of Joseph B. Richardson, late of Chester, in said County deceased, has duly filed a petition to the Court of Chancery in and for said County, setting forth that Peter Penstock and Claudia A. Bateman and John N. Bateman, then of said Chester, in said County of Vermont, and in said petition fully described being premises conveyed to petitioners by Effie L. and Milo H. Phelps, duly recorded and known as the Joel Davis farm, conditioned for the payment of the sum of six hundred dollars, specified in a certain promissory note bearing date on the twenty-sixth day of July A. D. 1906, by the said Penstock and Claudia A. and John H., duly executed and payable to said H. B. Richardson, or order, on demand, with interest annually, which said note has not been paid according to the tenor and effect of the same and is now justly due and owing.

And further setting forth that said Effie L. Phelps, widow of said Joseph B. Richardson, claim some interest in said premises by reason of a second mortgage; that said Joseph B. Richardson hath deceased, leaving a will; that said will has been duly probated, and that the petitioner hath been duly appointed executrix of said last will and testament of said deceased.

Wherefore the petitioner prays that the equity of redemption of the said Peter Penstock, Claudia A. Bateman, and John N. Bateman, in the premises may be foreclosed agreeably to the statute in such case made and provided.

And whereas it appears that all the said parties summoned to appear and answer to said petition are without this State, so that the summons of said Court may not be served upon them.

It is therefore ordered that the said Peter Penstock, Claudia A. Bateman, and John N. Bateman, be notified and required to appear in and before said Court and make answer, if any they have, and abide the order of said Court, if they see cause, and to establish their rights as lawful claimants of said residue.

A true record, Attest
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An organization was perfected Sunday at Rutland for the purchase of the old State house, and the deal will probably go through. The price is to be \$3,000, if the money can be raised within a week. The plan is to purchase the building, leave it on its present site, and make of it an historical museum.

Given under my hand at Woodstock, in the County of Windsor this 28th day of April, A. D. 1910.

Jay Reed Pember, Clerk.

Frank A. Walker, Solicitor for Petitioner.